

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA
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DIRECT TESTIMONY OF PROGRESS ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC.**

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1 **Q. Please state your name, address, and position.**

2 A. My name is Bruce P. Barkley and my business address is 410 S. Wilmington
3 Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. My position is Manager-- Regulatory Accounting
4 for Progress Energy Service Company ("Progress Energy") which is an affiliate
5 of Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. ("PEC")

6 **Q. Please describe your educational background and professional experience.**

7 A. I obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration with a
8 concentration in Accounting from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
9 in 1984 and an MBA Degree from Wake Forest University in 1999. I obtained
10 my CPA license in 1987. I joined Progress Energy in the Regulatory Services
11 Section in May 2001 and I am responsible for regulatory accounting and
12 reporting. Prior to joining Progress Energy, I held various positions with Public
13 Service Company of North Carolina, Inc., from 1988 to 2001 where I was
14 responsible for regulatory filings and reports submitted to the North Carolina
15 Utilities Commission.

16 **Q. Have you previously presented testimony to any regulatory agencies**
17 **regarding fuel clauses?**

18 A. Yes, I have. I appeared before the South Carolina Public Service Commission in
19 Docket Numbers 2003-1-E and 2004-1-E. I have also appeared before the NCUC
20 in Docket Numbers E-2, Sub 806, Sub 833 and Sub 851.

1 **Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

2 A. The purpose of my testimony is to review the Company's fuel cost and revenue
3 collection for the period January 2004 through March 2005, present projected fuel
4 cost for the period April 2005 through June 2006 and recommend a fuel factor to
5 be effective July 1, 2005. My Exhibits 1 and 2 reflect actual information for the
6 January 2004 through March 2005 review period. My Exhibits 3 and 4 address
7 the projected period ending June 2006.

8 **Q. Please explain Barkley Exhibit No. 1.**

9 A. Barkley Exhibit No. 1 is a summary of PEC's actual system fuel cost and
10 kilowatt-hour sales experienced during the period January 2004 through March
11 2005. Lines 1-9 provide a breakdown of fossil fuel expense by type of generation
12 resource - coal, oil, or gas - and indicate the type of generating unit which
13 consumed the fuel. Emission allowance expense is shown on line 10 and nuclear
14 fuel expense on line 11. Lines 12 and 13 show purchased power costs and the
15 fuel portion off-system sales, respectively. Line 16 indicates the system average
16 cost of fuel per kilowatt-hour sold each month.

17 **Q. How did the fuel revenue billings compare to the actual fuel costs incurred**
18 **during the historical period January 2004 through March 2005?**

19 A. Barkley Exhibit No. 2 is a monthly comparison of the revenues billed South
20 Carolina retail customers through the base fuel component of the approved rates
21 to the actual fuel costs attributable to those sales. Lines 6 and 14 represent the
22 differences between the monthly jurisdictional fuel cost and the corresponding
23 revenue billed under the fuel factor approved by the Commission. Lines 8 and 16

1 represent the cumulative under-recovery of fuel expense. During 2004 and the
2 first quarter of 2005, PEC's under-recovery increased from \$5.1 million to \$30
3 million.

4 **Q. Please discuss the under-collections shown on Exhibit No. 2.**

5 A. Significant under-collections began in May 2004. During that month, PEC under-
6 collected its fuel costs by \$6.6 million due to record-setting hot weather and
7 outages at two of its nuclear units as explained in Mr. Hinnant's testimony. The
8 sales listed on Line 1 do not completely reflect the weather because much of the
9 electricity generated and consumed in May was billed to customers in June due to
10 cycle billing. The remainder of the large under-collections occurred during the
11 peak winter and summer months where the rising costs of coal and natural gas are
12 accentuated. The under-collection of \$2.9 million in March was attributable to
13 colder than normal weather, rising fossil fuel costs and the Brunswick nuclear
14 plant refueling outage. Nuclear performance is discussed by Mr. Hinnant and
15 coal and natural gas prices and usage are explained in Mr. Coats' testimony.

16 **Q. Please explain Barkley Exhibit No. 3.**

17 A. Barkley Exhibit No. 3 presents a base fuel component of 2.791 ¢/kWh for the 12-
18 month period July 2005 through June 2006, consisting of a component for
19 recovery of projected fuel expense for this period and a component to collect the
20 projected under-recovery at June 2005. I am projecting the eligible under-
21 recovery to be \$41.5 million at June 2005.

22 **Q. Please explain Barkley Exhibit No. 4.**

23 A. Barkley Exhibit No. 4 is a continuation of my Exhibit No. 2 showing projected

1 costs and revenues, by month, for the period April 2005 through June 2006. The
2 projection assumes scheduled maintenance and refueling outages for certain of
3 PEC's nuclear generating units based on the latest plan and includes forced
4 outage rates for fossil units based upon historical outage data. The exhibit
5 continues the use of the current base fuel component of 1.471¢/kWh through June
6 2005 and shows a fuel factor of 2.791 for the period July 2005 through June 2006.

7 **Q. What fuel factor are you recommending for adoption in this proceeding?**

8 A. PEC is asking the Commission to approve a fuel factor of 2.791 ¢/kWh to be
9 effective for the 12-month period July 2005 through June 2006.

10 **Q. Does that conclude your testimony?**

11 A. Yes, it does.

PROGRESS ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC.

SYSTEM FUEL COST
SOUTH CAROLINA RETAIL FUEL CASE - Docket No. 2005-1-E
SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 2004

	2004 JANUARY	2004 FEBRUARY	2004 MARCH	2004 APRIL	2004 MAY	2004 JUNE
FOSSIL STEAM						
1 COAL	\$ 54,826,102.50	\$ 54,214,057.30	\$ 50,904,645.74	\$ 42,277,419.28	\$ 56,288,993.91	\$ 50,898,268.10
2 OIL	\$ 409,529.76	\$ 270,989.30	\$ 234,610.54	\$ 329,440.72	\$ 449,733.70	\$ 535,978.60
3 NATURAL GAS		\$ -	\$ -			\$ 542,814.30
4 TOTAL FOSSIL STEAM	\$ 55,235,632.26	\$ 54,485,046.60	\$ 51,139,256.28	\$ 42,606,860.00	\$ 56,738,727.61	\$ 51,977,061.00
I. C. TURBINES						
5 OIL	\$ 1,098,081.81	\$ (154,545.23)	\$ 182,387.29	\$ 258,826.84	\$ 715,119.05	\$ 176,159.85
6 NATURAL GAS	\$ 12,363,039.57	\$ 7,944,536.18	\$ 2,153,400.20	\$ 2,860,153.05	\$ 26,320,176.11	\$ 12,797,061.75
7 PROPANE GAS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
8 TOTAL I. C. TURBINES	\$ 13,461,121.38	\$ 7,789,990.95	\$ 2,335,787.49	\$ 3,118,979.89	\$ 27,035,295.16	\$ 12,973,221.60
9 TOTAL FOSSIL FUEL	\$ 68,696,753.64	\$ 62,275,037.55	\$ 53,475,043.77	\$ 45,725,839.89	\$ 83,774,022.77	\$ 64,950,282.60
10 EMISSION ALLOWANCES	\$ 529,923.35	\$ 539,363.30	\$ 525,998.40	\$ 670,954.14	\$ 834,131.78	\$ 213,288.10
11 NUCLEAR FUEL	\$ 10,003,331.62	\$ 9,201,722.97	\$ 7,140,169.64	\$ 8,297,667.35	\$ 6,432,697.94	\$ 9,250,297.56
12 PURCHASED POWER	\$ 8,556,226.98	\$ 6,380,374.82	\$ 8,350,026.51	\$ 7,332,636.06	\$ 21,450,276.88	\$ 12,321,896.52
13 OFF-SYSTEM SALES	\$ (16,895,217.43)	\$ (15,792,461.11)	\$ (10,147,415.89)	\$ (10,875,147.27)	\$ (9,602,590.41)	\$ (9,990,851.11)
14 TOTAL FUEL COST	\$ 70,891,018.16	\$ 62,604,037.53	\$ 59,343,822.43	\$ 51,151,950.17	\$ 102,888,538.96	\$ 76,744,913.67
15 TOTAL KWH SALES	4,530,204,500	4,578,139,300	4,185,739,500	3,848,207,000	3,788,221,700	4,658,707,300
16 COST PER KWH	\$ 0.01565	\$ 0.01367	\$ 0.01418	\$ 0.01329	\$ 0.02716	\$ 0.01647

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SYSTEM FUEL COST
SOUTH CAROLINA RETAIL FUEL CASE - Docket No. 2005-1-E
SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 2004

	2004 JULY	2004 AUGUST	2004 SEPTEMBER	2004 OCTOBER	2004 NOVEMBER	2004 DECEMBER
FOSSIL STEAM						
1 COAL	\$ 57,315,362.86	\$ 61,712,537.45	\$ 44,411,732.15	\$ 44,453,510.72	\$ 46,805,344.50	\$ 55,647,057.90
2 OIL	\$ 349,588.11	\$ 328,478.07	\$ 337,815.65	\$ 407,645.79	\$ 543,815.62	\$ 577,321.70
3 NATURAL GAS	<u>\$ 555,705.76</u>	<u>\$ 642,045.06</u>	<u>\$ 277,578.41</u>	<u>\$ (59,603.88)</u>		
4 TOTAL STEAM ELECTRIC	\$ 58,220,656.73	\$ 62,683,060.58	\$ 45,027,126.21	\$ 44,801,552.63	\$ 47,349,160.12	\$ 56,224,379.60
I. C. TURBINES						
5 OIL	\$ 129,464.76	\$ 124,345.57	\$ 259,588.30	\$ 85,418.42	\$ 166,164.24	\$ 1,444,382.21
6 NATURAL GAS	\$ 21,179,353.34	\$ 19,640,750.03	\$ 12,654,468.85	\$ 2,735,032.92	\$ 3,625,773.50	\$ 11,646,377.96
7 PROPANE GAS	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
8 TOTAL I. C. TURBINES	\$ 21,308,818.10	\$ 19,765,095.60	\$ 12,914,057.15	\$ 2,820,451.34	\$ 3,791,937.74	\$ 13,090,760.17
9 TOTAL FOSSIL FUEL	\$ 79,529,474.83	\$ 82,448,156.18	\$ 57,941,183.36	\$ 47,622,003.97	\$ 51,141,097.86	\$ 69,315,139.77
10 EMISSION ALLOWANCES	\$ 532,677.10	\$ 469,231.78	\$ 296,179.50	\$ 394,534.91	\$ 371,966.44	\$ 2,029,558.20
11 NUCLEAR FUEL	\$ 9,411,550.17	\$ 9,208,408.47	\$ 9,563,322.60	\$ 8,352,901.04	\$ 8,014,964.62	\$ 9,665,709.18
12 PURCHASED POWER	\$ 17,456,462.72	\$ 12,912,374.94	\$ 11,895,668.79	\$ 7,834,641.61	\$ 8,658,643.92	\$ 11,422,890.73
13 OFF-SYSTEM SALES	<u>\$ (12,253,764.65)</u>	<u>\$ (10,552,810.30)</u>	<u>\$ (2,917,436.55)</u>	<u>\$ (9,107,258.10)</u>	<u>\$ (7,532,548.61)</u>	<u>\$ (14,590,252.55)</u>
14 TOTAL FUEL COST	\$ 94,676,400.17	\$ 94,485,361.07	\$ 76,778,917.70	\$ 55,096,823.43	\$ 60,654,124.23	\$ 77,843,045.33
15 TOTAL KWH SALES	4,912,347,500	4,826,877,000	4,575,050,600	3,917,029,600	3,717,156,100	4,286,650,200
16 COST PER KWH	\$ 0.01927	\$ 0.01957	\$ 0.01678	\$ 0.01407	\$ 0.01632	\$ 0.01816

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**SYSTEM FUEL COST
SOUTH CAROLINA RETAIL FUEL CASE - Docket No. 2005-1-E
THREE MONTHS ENDING MARCH 2005**

	2005 JANUARY	2005 FEBRUARY	2005 MARCH			
FOSSIL STEAM						
1 COAL	\$ 67,960,690.14	\$ 61,333,388.11	\$ 68,841,632.47			
2 OIL	\$ 525,422.33	\$ 285,798.18	\$ 326,114.86			
3 NATURAL GAS		\$ -	\$ -			
4 TOTAL FOSSIL STEAM	\$ 68,486,112.47	\$ 61,619,186.29	\$ 69,167,747.33			
I. C. TURBINES						
5 OIL	\$ 1,996,378.58	\$ 265,036.52	\$ 763,716.97			
6 NATURAL GAS	\$ 14,555,461.41	\$ 5,810,449.96	\$ 15,662,450.89			
7 PROPANE GAS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -			
8 TOTAL I. C. TURBINES	\$ 16,551,839.99	\$ 6,075,486.48	\$ 16,426,167.86			
9 TOTAL FOSSIL FUEL	\$ 85,037,952.46	\$ 67,694,672.77	\$ 85,593,915.19			
10 EMISSION ALLOWANCES	\$ 948,112.44	\$ 1,994,071.54	\$ 2,814,283.92			
11 NUCLEAR FUEL	\$ 9,712,533.10	\$ 8,571,137.80	\$ 7,623,023.34			
12 PURCHASED POWER	\$ 12,081,731.82	\$ 7,724,459.97	\$ 10,690,934.15			
13 OFF-SYSTEM SALES	\$ (17,427,353.63)	\$ (12,928,044.96)	\$ (20,373,134.23)			
14 TOTAL FUEL COST	\$ 90,352,976.19	\$ 73,056,297.12	\$ 86,349,022.37			
15 TOTAL KWH SALES	4,550,908,200	4,522,714,100	4,317,282,100			
16 COST PER KWH	\$ 0.01985	\$ 0.01615	\$ 0.02000			

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SOUTH CAROLINA RETAIL FUEL CASE - Docket No. 2005-1-E

COMPARISON OF ACTUAL FUEL REVENUES AND EXPENSES
January 2004 - March 2005

	2004 JANUARY	2004 FEBRUARY	2004 MARCH	2004 APRIL	2004 MAY	2004 JUNE	2004 JULY	2004 AUGUST
1 ACTUAL SC RETAIL SALES (KWH)	630,892,125	626,546,693	601,056,441	553,395,893	532,228,726	685,898,072	700,845,232	668,186,495
2 ACTUAL FUEL COST	\$ 0.01565	0.01367	0.01418	0.01329	0.02716	0.01647	0.01927	0.01957
3 FUEL BASE	\$ 0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471
4 REVENUE REQUIRED	\$ 9,873,462	8,564,893	8,522,980	7,354,631	14,455,331	11,296,741	13,505,289	13,076,411
5 REVENUE BILLED	\$ 9,280,423	9,216,502	8,841,540	8,140,454	7,829,085	10,089,561	10,309,433	9,829,023
6 OVER (UNDER) RECOVERY	\$ (593,039)	651,609	318,560	785,823	(6,626,247)	(1,207,181)	(3,195,855)	(3,247,387)
7 2004 SC Law Change	\$ -	0	(948,472)	0	0	0	0	0
8 CUMULATIVE RECOVERY	\$ (5,683,454)	(5,031,845)	(5,661,757)	(4,875,934)	(11,502,181)	(12,709,362)	(15,905,217)	(19,152,604)

	2004 SEPTEMBER	2004 OCTOBER	2004 NOVEMBER	2004 DECEMBER	2005 JANUARY	2005 FEBRUARY	2005 MARCH
9 ACTUAL SC RETAIL SALES (KWH)	659,502,230	570,907,426	511,510,794	596,408,640	616,099,915	606,933,897	557,383,936
10 ACTUAL FUEL COST	\$ 0.01678	0.01407	0.01632	0.01816	0.01985	0.01615	0.02000
11 FUEL BASE	\$ 0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.01471
12 REVENUE REQUIRED	\$ 11,066,447	8,032,667	8,347,856	10,830,781	12,229,583	9,801,983	11,147,679
13 REVENUE BILLED	\$ 9,701,278	8,398,048	7,524,324	8,773,171	9,062,830	8,927,998	8,199,118
14 OVER (UNDER) RECOVERY	\$ (1,365,169)	365,381	(823,532)	(2,057,610)	(3,166,753)	(873,985)	(2,948,561)
15 ACCOUNTING ADJUSTMENT	\$ -	0	0	(18,500)	0	0	0
16 CUMULATIVE RECOVERY	\$ (20,517,773)	(20,152,392)	(20,975,924)	(23,052,034)	(26,218,787)	(27,092,772)	(30,041,333)

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PROGRESS ENERGY CAROLINAS, INC.

SOUTH CAROLINA RETAIL FUEL CASE
CALCULATION OF BASE FUEL COMPONENT
April 2005

1. Projected Fuel Expense from July 2005 through June 2006

Cost of Fuel	\$1,220,730,000
System Sales	54,546,281 Mwhts
Average Cost Per KWH	2.238 cents

2. Revenue Difference To be Collected from July 2005 through June 2006.

Under-Recovery at June 2005	\$41,483,716
Projected S.C. Retail Sales	7,499,215 Mwhts
Average Cost Per KWH	0.553 cents

3. Base Fuel Cost Per KWH - Projected Period

Average Fuel Cost	2.238 cents
Revenue Difference	0.553 cents

Base Fuel Component	2.791 cents

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COMPARISON OF PROJECTED FUEL REVENUES AND EXPENSES

	2005 APRIL	2005 MAY	2005 JUNE	2005 JULY	2005 AUGUST	2005 SEPTEMBER	2005 OCTOBER	2005 NOVEMBER	2005 DECEMBER
1 ESTIMATED SC RETAIL SALES (KWH)	551,670,000	562,084,000	646,361,000	696,149,000	723,034,000	687,466,000	586,034,000	531,172,000	603,741,000
2 ESTIMATED FUEL COST	\$ 0.01894	0.02075	0.02355	0.02782	0.02501	0.02129	0.02237	0.02023	0.02166
3 FUEL BASE	\$ 0.01471	0.01471	0.01471	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791
4 REVENUE REQUIRED	\$ 10,448,630	11,663,243	15,221,802	19,366,865	18,083,080	14,636,151	13,109,581	10,745,610	13,077,030
5 REVENUE BILLED	\$ 8,115,066	8,268,256	9,507,970	19,429,519	20,179,879	19,187,176	16,356,209	14,825,011	16,850,411
6 OVER (UNDER) RECOVERY	\$ (2,333,564)	(3,394,987)	(5,713,832)	62,654	2,096,799	4,551,025	3,246,628	4,079,401	3,773,381
7 CUMULATIVE RECOVERY	\$ (32,374,897)	(35,769,884)	(41,483,716)	(41,421,062)	(39,324,263)	(34,773,238)	(31,526,610)	(27,447,209)	(23,673,828)

	2006 JANUARY	2006 FEBRUARY	2006 MARCH	2006 APRIL	2006 MAY	2006 JUNE
1 ESTIMATED SC RETAIL SALES (KWH)	680,941,000	623,635,000	581,080,000	559,565,000	570,236,000	656,162,000
2 ESTIMATED FUEL COST	\$ 0.02005	0.02096	0.02146	0.01976	0.02252	0.02400
3 FUEL BASE	\$ 0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791	0.02791
4 REVENUE REQUIRED	\$ 13,652,867	13,071,390	12,469,977	11,057,004	12,841,715	15,747,888
5 REVENUE BILLED	\$ 19,005,063	17,405,653	16,217,943	15,617,459	15,915,287	18,313,481
6 OVER (UNDER) RECOVERY	\$ 5,352,196	4,334,263	3,747,966	4,560,455	3,073,572	2,565,593
7 CUMULATIVE RECOVERY	\$ (18,321,632)	(13,987,369)	(10,239,403)	(5,678,948)	(2,605,376)	(39,783)

**Barkley Exhibit No. 4
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